## LOCAL NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATIONS JOIN TOGETHER IN RECOGNITION OF WORLD REFUGEE DAY

## A WEEK OF COMMUNITY EVENTS TO RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE OF KEEPING DOORS OPEN AND WELCOMING ALL-PEOPLE WITH THEIR INCLUSIVE COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS

<u>Jewish Social Services</u>, <u>Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan</u> and <u>Open Doors for Refugees</u>, along with <u>Goodman Library</u> and <u>Literacy Network</u> are hosting a week of festivities to celebrate World Refugee Day. The events range in their nature but all incorporate the importance of collaborative community efforts in keeping doors open and welcoming people of all backgrounds to a place of safety and refuge.

What: Media and the public are invited to attend each event to meet representatives from

organizations helping refugees in the Madison area.

When & Where: Meet Your Refugee Neighbor

Panel presentation, moderated Q&A

Wednesday, June 13, 2018, 6-7:30 p.m. @ Goodman Library

Video and Facilitated Panel Discussion

"Rohingya Crisis in the Village of Tula Toli" as seen on BBC News

In the news right now and in need of protection, the Rohingya crisis mirrors the plight of many refugee populations seeking safety in the US. Discussion to follow of the pre-arrival and post-arrival work of resettlement agencies as they offer the first steps in healing to those traveling to the US and settling in Madison. Hear from refugees who share their stories of the journey to a new life in Madison.

Monday, June 18, 2018, 6:30 p.m. -8:30 p.m. @ Goodman Community Center

Capital Square Farmers' Market

Visit the LSS & JSS information table, Literacy Network art table

Wednesday, June 20, 2018, 11:30 a.m.- 1:30 p.m.

**Open Doors for Refugees Annual Community Picnic** 

Sunday June 24, 2018, 12-5p.m. @ Olin Park Shelter

Who: Jewish Social Services, Lutheran Social Services of Wisconsin and Upper Michigan, Open

Doors for Refugees, Goodman Community and the Literacy Network

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